

AzSCI & AzM2, formerly AzMERIT, State testing is approaching.

What parents can do to help students succeed.

During the month of April, Arizona students at the 7th and 8th grade levels will participate in the new statewide achievement test, AzM2. The Arizona Department of Education has created helpful resources to help all stakeholders at <http://azm2portal.org/>

All students statewide are required to take the AzM2 assessments in-person. We encourage parents to schedule appointments and other activities outside of school hours. We are following all CDC guidelines for your child's safety. For example, everyone is required to wear a mask, taking temperatures upon arrival, sanitizing all equipment several times every day.

In-Person Learning: Desert Foothills AzM2 Testing for Grades 7 & 8 is April 19 – 30

7th 7 8th grades AzMERIT In-Person Testing Schedule and Dates:

Subject	Date	Times	Sessions - length
7 th 7 8 th grade Writing	Monday, April 19	In Homeroom/Advisory	One Test Session ~ 2-3 hours
Reading Part 1 and Math Part 1	Tuesday, April 20	In Homeroom/Advisory	Two Test Sessions ~ 90 minutes each
Reading Part 2 and Math Part 2	Thursday, April 21	In Homeroom/Advisory	Two Test Sessions ~ 90 minutes each

- **All students need to bring their charged Chromebooks as the entire AZMERIT test is online.**

Distance Learning: Desert Foothills AzM2 Testing for Grades 7 & 8 is April 5 – 16

- April 5-8: 8th grade Distance Learning/Online students test in DF gym at 9:15 AM
- April 12-15: 7th grade Distance Learning/Online students test in DF gym at 9:15 AM

Key Points for Distance Learners:

- Distance Learning students will begin testing at 9:15 AM in the DF gym.
- All Distance Learning students will meet in front of the gym on the designated dates and will take the tests in the gym.
- Breakfast and lunch will be served each testing day.
- We will have student desks socially distanced set up in the gym.
- All 5 Test Sessions are **not timed**, the times listed are only approximate times.
- From past experiences, many students require more time to complete the Writing test than the 90 minutes suggested from ADE.
- Once students have completed testing for each day, they may call home to be picked up.
- **All Distance Learning students need to bring their Chromebooks as the entire AZMERIT test is online.**

8th grade AzMERIT Distance Learning Testing Schedule and Dates:

Subject	Date	Sessions - length	Estimated Pick Up Time ♦ Students may call when tests are completed.
Writing	Monday, April 5	One Test Session ~ 2-3 hours	1:30 -2:00PM
Reading Part 1 and Math Part 1	Tuesday, April 6	Two Test Sessions ~ 90 minutes each	1:30 -2:00PM
Reading Part 2 and Math Part 2	Thursday, April 8	Two Test Sessions ~ 90 minutes each	1:30 -2:00PM

7th grade AzMERIT Testing Schedule and dates:

Subject	Date	Sessions - length	Estimated Pick Up Time ♦ Students may call when tests are completed.
Writing	Monday, April 12	One Test Session ~ 2-3 hours	1:30 -2:00PM
Reading Part 1 and Math Part 1	Tuesday, April 13	Two Test Sessions ~ 90 minutes each	1:30 -2:00PM
Reading Part 2 and Math Part 2	Thursday, April 15	Two Test Sessions ~ 90 minutes each	1:30 -2:00PM

